

THE  
CRUSADE  
AGAINST  
CRIME &  
MURDER

**TRUE FACTS! HOW POLICE SMASH**

**THE PERFECT**

# CRIME

No. 20

JANUARY

1952

10 CENTS

I KNOW YOU'RE  
IN THERE, BIG MOE!  
COME OUT OR  
I'M GOING IN  
AFTER YOU!



**EXTRA!**

**STEVE DUNCAN**

IN THE

**"CHORUS GIRL MURDERS"**





WEB COMIC  
UNIVERSE.COM



THE  
CRUSADE  
AGAINST  
CRIME &  
MURDER

TRUE FACTS! HOW POLICE SMASH

THE NARFSTAR



# CRIME

No. 20

JANUARY

1952

10 CENTS

I KNOW YOU'RE  
IN THERE, BIG MOE!  
COME OUT OR  
I'M GOING IN  
AFTER YOU!



**EXTRA!**  
**STEVE DUNCAN**  
IN THE  
"CHORUS GIRL MURDERS"

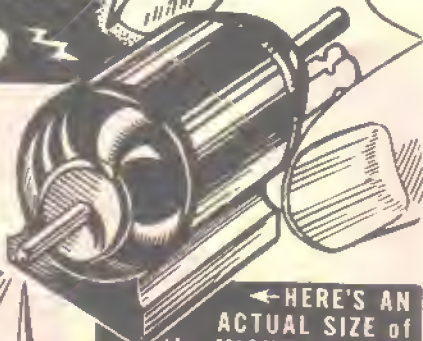
NARFSTAR



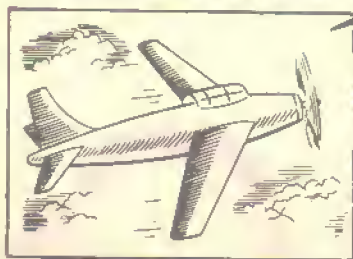
# POWERFUL

**Look Fellows! Here's The Neatest, Strongest Little Real Electric Motor You've Ever Seen!**

**T**HIS amazing new miniature D.C. Electric Motor looks and runs just like a big one! Yet it's so tiny you can hold it in the palm of your hand. Slickest little power unit ever made to run your model boats, planes, cars, trucks, tractors, trains, drawbridges, cranes, turntables, fans — or whatever else you want to make GO with the flip of a switch! Motor and multi-ratio gear box and gears come to you — ready to purr with smooth power the minute you hook it up! Measures only 1 x 1 x 1 1/4 inches; weighs only an ounce. Turns up close to 7,000 r.p.m.'s! REVERSES instantly, too! Motor is in durable housing. Comes complete with batteries, transparent plastic gear-box — PLUS ten extra gears and pulleys for working out your own ratios — up to 80-to-1.



← HERE'S AN ACTUAL SIZE of the MIGHTY MIDGET



## IDEAL FOR MODEL BOATS

So Powerful It will drive boats weighing as much as fifty times as much as the motor itself! Use for Model Submarines, PT Boats, Yachts, Cruisers, Tugs, Liners.



## SWELL FOR PLANES!

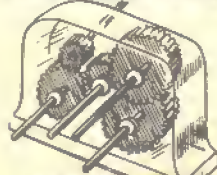
The terrific jet-turbine-like speed of this motor makes it a "honey" for all types of model planes. (When geared down, it will actually turn a standard 6 ft. real airplane propeller!)

NO DANGER OF SHOCKS OR SHORTS

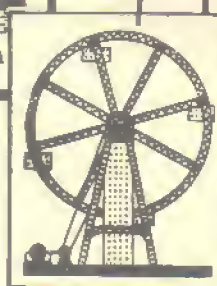
AND NO TRANSFORMER IS NEEDED!



RUNS ON ORDINARY FLASHLIGHT BATTERIES!



MULTI-RATIO PLASTIC GEAR-BOX INCLUDED!



PLUS THESE 10 EXTRA GEARS AND PULLEYS!

**JUST SHOW THIS AD TO YOUR DAD!**

Your father will see at a glance how helpful this real little motor can be in an educational way. You can take it to school for demonstrations in the classroom — SEE the laws of Science and principles of Engineering AT WORK!

**ONLY \$2.98**  
COMPLETE WITH GEARS AND TWO BATTERIES!

**It's Entirely SAFE! It's EDUCATIONAL!  
It's More FUN Than a Barrel of Monkeys!**

Think of the fun you can have with this brand new all-purpose MIGHTY MIDGET electric motor! Think how many different ways you can hitch it up to run things — with gears, direct-drive, or with pulleys and "belt-drive" arrangements. There's no end to its uses! Be the first in your crowd to own this powerful new MIGHTY MIDGET Motor! You'll be the envy of the gang.

Mail coupon below, NOW, without any money. Or (if coupon has already been clipped by someone else before you) simply send \$2.98 as payment in full for motor and complete outfit sent POSTPAID as described above to: Imperial Sales Co., 114 East 47th Street, New York 17, N. Y. Money back if you are not fully satisfied and return outfit in good condition within 10 days.

## SEND NO MONEY!

You need send no money with coupon at right. Simply tear or cut out, fill in clearly and mail to address shown. Your MIGHTY MIDGET Electric Motor — complete with two fresh long-life 1 1/2 volt batteries, battery-clip, plastic gear-box fan blade and set of 10 extra gears and pulleys — ALL will be sent you by return mail. When postman delivers it, pay only \$2.98 plus few cents postage. If not completely satisfied, return it within ten days and your money will be refunded IN FULL! But our supply of MIGHTY MIDGET Motors is limited. So act promptly. **MAIL THE COUPON TODAY!**

IMPERIAL SALES CO, Dept. PC-11  
400 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Yes! I want one of those new MIGHTY MIDGET Electric Motors, complete with batteries, gears, etc. as described above. Rush me the "whole works" at once. I will pay postman only \$2.98, plus few cents postage, as payment in full.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

CITY.....STATE.....

☐ SAVE POSTAGE! Check here if you are ENCLOSING \$2.98 as payment in full, in which case we will pay postage. Same money-back guarantee applies, of course!





# Steve Duncan

## CHORUS GIRL MURDERS



I HAD KNOWN HARVEY NORCLIFF, THE FAMED SHOW PRODUCER, FAIRLY WELL BACK IN MY COLLEGE DAYS. HE HAD WANTED TO FARM ME OUT WITH A STOCK COMPANY FOR EXPERIENCE. I TURNED HIM DOWN IN FAVOR OF THE COPS AND ROBBERS BUSINESS. STILL THERE'S NO BUSINESS LIKE SHOW BUSINESS SO WHEN HARVEY NORCLIFF ASKED ME TO DROP IN ON A REHEARSAL OF HIS NEW SHOW, I DROPPED EVERYTHING AND HUSTLED OVER TO THE EMPORIUM ..

HOLD IT! HOLD IT! LOOK, HELENE! THIS IS A HA, HA... MUSICAL COMEDY! IT'S LIGHT... GAY... HAPPY! GET SOME LIFT IN YOUR VOICE... SMILE! RADIATE!

ALL RIGHT, MR HARVEY NORCLIFF... MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO GET UP HERE AND GIVE LITTLE HELENE A DEMONSTRATION!



HELLO, HARVEY... WANT ME TO STOP BACK LATER?

STEVE! NO, NO! IT'S NOTHING! I MUST TALK TO YOU... IT'S URGENT.



NORCLIFF GAVE THE TROUPE A BREAK AND WE SETTLED DOWN ON THE TENTH ROW...

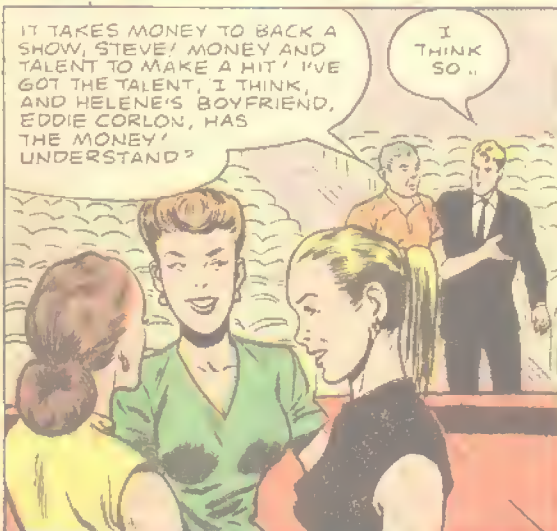
OH! HAVE I GOT HEADACHES! STEVE, I THINK MY SHOW, "MUSIC, PLEASE" IS JINXED... I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT!



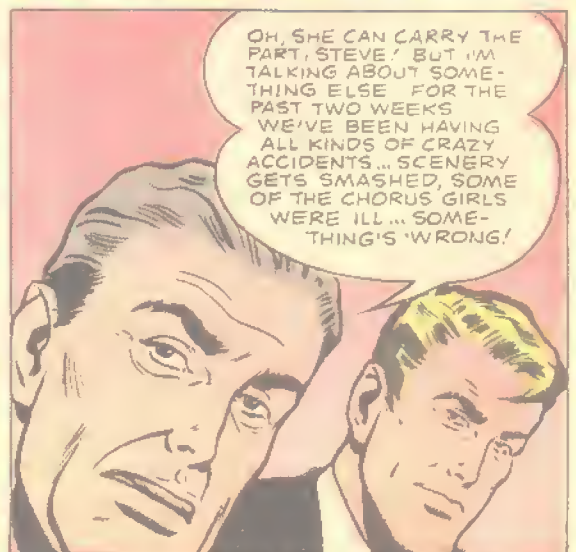
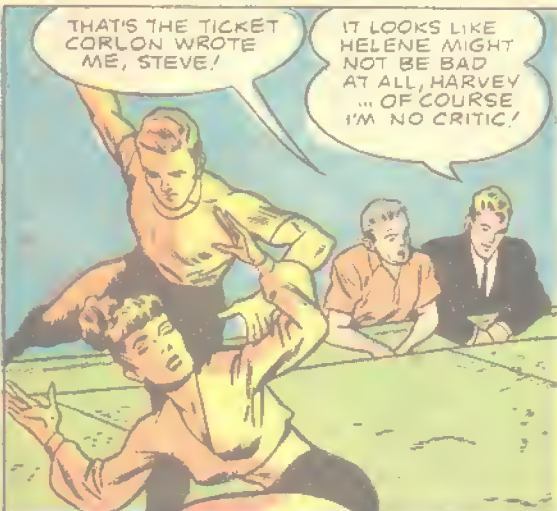
"SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF COVERLESS COPIES OF THIS MAGAZINE IS UNAUTHORIZED AND ILLEGAL."

THE PERFECT CRIME is published monthly by CROSS PUBLICATIONS, INC., 9 West 57th Street, New York 19, N. Y. EDWARD BOBLEY, editor. Entered as second-class matter, New York, N. Y., on August 4, 1949, under the Act of March 3, 1879. Additional Entry at Canton, Ohio. Copyright 1951 by Cross Publications, Inc., 9 West 57th Street, New York 19, N. Y. Vol. 3, No. 26 January 1952 issue. Single copies 10c; yearly subscription in U. S. \$1.20. Printed in U.S.A. The Publisher is not responsible for unsolicited manuscripts.

# A Criminal's Evil Mind



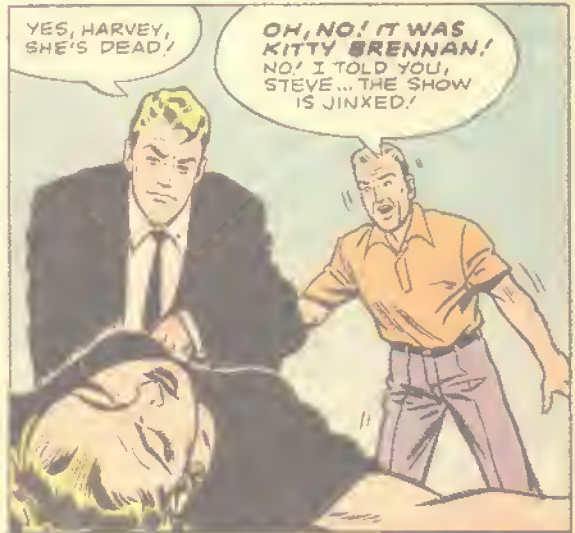
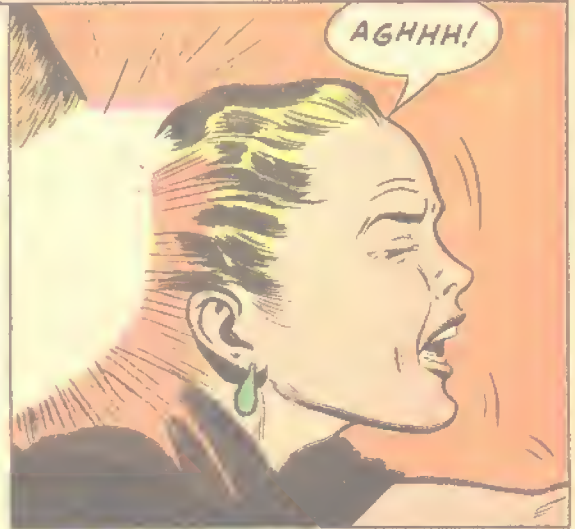
I WATCHED AS HELENE GABEY RAN THROUGH HER APACHE NUMBER WITH RALPH RONSON...



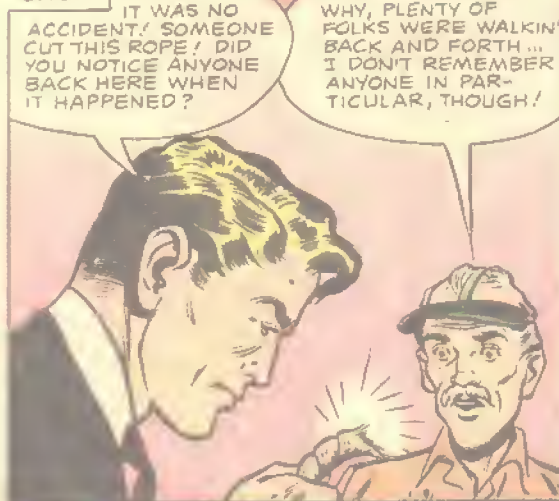


# Can Never Outsmart the Police

NORCLIFF DRONED ON ABOUT BAD LUCK... I WAS ABOUT TO ATTRIBUTE IT TO NERVES WHEN...



I WENT BACKSTAGE AND TOOK ONE GLANCE AT THE ROPE THAT CONTROLLED THE SANDBAG...

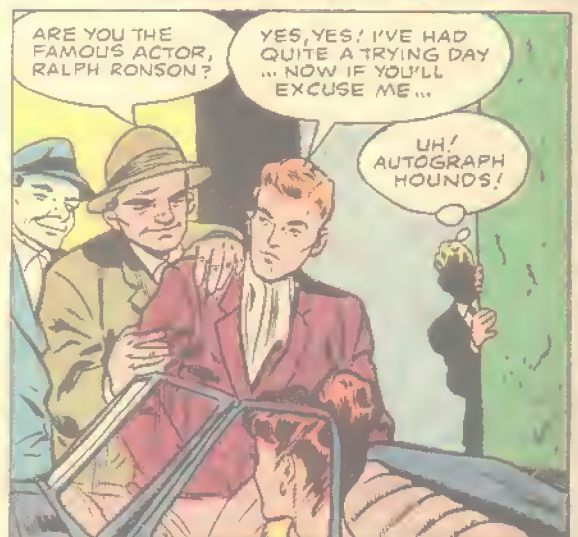
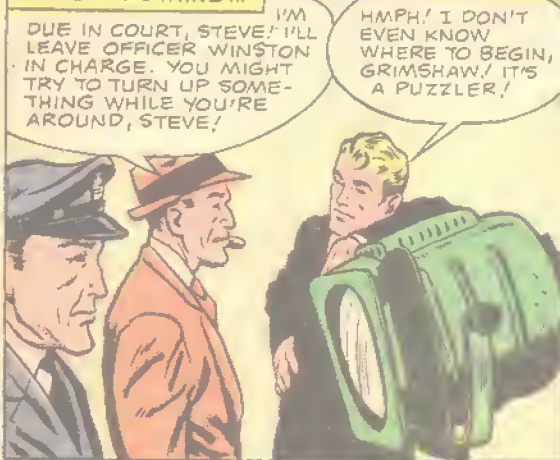


THIS WAS ONE HOT POTATO I DIDN'T WANT TO HOLD... I STARTED TO PUT IN A CALL IN TO LIEUTENANT M.R. GRIMSHAW, OF HOMICIDE...



# All Citizens Should Help

FOUR HOURS LATER LT. GRIMSHAW HAD COMPLETED HIS PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION....  
RESULT: NOTHING ...





# In the Fight Against Crime



AGH!

BEFORE I COULD TURN AROUND THE OTHER HOOD ADMINISTERED THE DREAM STICK ...

OOF!

LET'S BEAT IT, WILLIE!



EXACTLY THIRTY MINUTES LATER..

FEEL BETTER, MR. DUNCAN?

UH-HUH! BUT DON'T GO AWAY ... I MIGHT HAVE A RELAPSE!



WHO WERE THOSE GUYS, NORCLIFF? WHERE'S HELENE GABEY AND RALPH RONSON?

TAKE IT EASY NOW, STEVE! I DON'T KNOW WHO THEY WERE! HELENE AND RONSON LEFT WHEN YOU STARTED COMING AROUND ... THEY HAD A DINNER DATE!



WHY DON'T YOU TRY THE GREEN DRAGON, STEVE? ... HELENE LIKES THE SPOT!

THANKS, HONEY! I'VE GOT SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK HELENE!



THE CHORUS GAL WAS RIGHT ... AS I WALKED INTO THE GREEN DRAGON ...

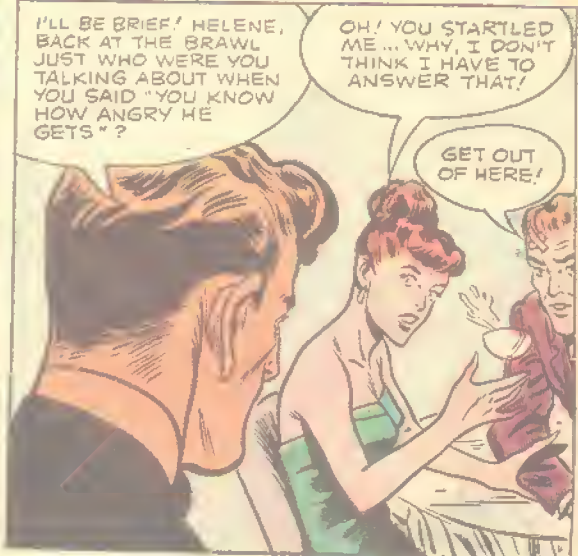
HMM ... I WONDER IF THEY'RE CELEBRATING MY KAYO ...



I'LL BE BRIEF! HELENE, BACK AT THE BRAWL JUST WHO WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT WHEN YOU SAID "YOU KNOW HOW ANGRY HE GETS"?

OH! YOU STARTLED ME ... WHY, I DON'T THINK I HAVE TO ANSWER THAT!

GET OUT OF HERE!





# Every Hunted Criminal



WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO GET IN TOUCH WITH LT. GRIMSHAW AND LET HIM ASK THE QUESTIONS?

I... ER... OH, TELL HIM, HELENE! HE'LL FIND OUT ANYWAY!



I WAS REFERRING TO THAT LITTLE WEASEL, EDDIE CORLON!

I THOUGHT EDDIE WAS YOUR BOY-FRIEND, HELENE...



HA, HA, HA! THAT'S FUNNY! THAT CROOK! IS IT MY FAULT IF HE BACKED A SHOW I HAPPENED TO BE STARRING IN?

I LEFT... AT LEAST I KNEW WHY RALPH RONSON HAD GOTTEN ROUGHED UP...



SO HELENE GAVE CORLON THE BRUSH FOR HANDSOME RALPH... AFTER CORLON HAS HIS DOUGH INVESTED! "HMM... NICE GIRL! NO WONDER CORLON'S BOYS GAVE RONSON SOME LUMPS!"

**Finding** EDDIE CORLON WAS NO PROBLEM... BUT THE MAN HAD NERVES OF ICE... AND A GOOD STORY...

SO YOU'RE THE FAMOUS LICENSED INVESTIGATOR, STEVE DUNCAN! TELL US ABOUT YOUR MOST THRILLING CASE, WON'T YOU, STEVE?

YOU'VE GOT ME IN STITCHES, EGG-HEAD! NOW WHAT GOES WITH YOU AND HELENE GABEY... OR DOES THE LAW ASK THE QUESTIONS?



WE SAT DOWN ON THE EIGHTH TEE AND CORLON GAVE IT TO ME QUICK. HE SOUNDED LIKE A MAN WHO KNEW HE COULDN'T BEAT CITY HALL... AND WASN'T OUT TO TRY...

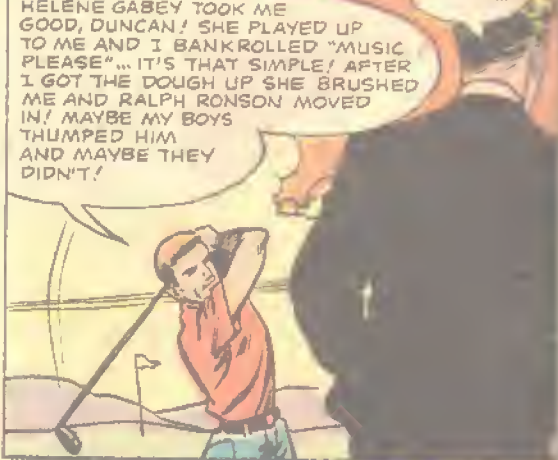


YOU CAN'T SAY THAT TO THE BOSS!

TAKE IT SLOW, HARRY! IT'S OKAY. SIT DOWN, DUNCAN, AND I'LL TELL YOU A SAD STORY!

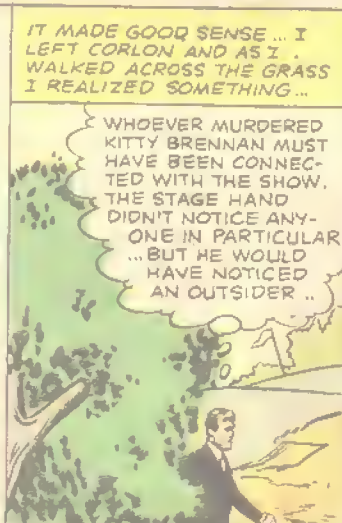
HELENE GABEY TOOK ME GOOD, DUNCAN! SHE PLAYED UP TO ME AND I BANKROLLED "MUSIC PLEASE"... IT'S THAT SIMPLE! AFTER I GOT THE DOUGH UP SHE BRUSHED ME AND RALPH RONSON MOVED IN! MAYBE MY BOYS THUMPED HIM AND MAYBE THEY DIDN'T!

HMM...

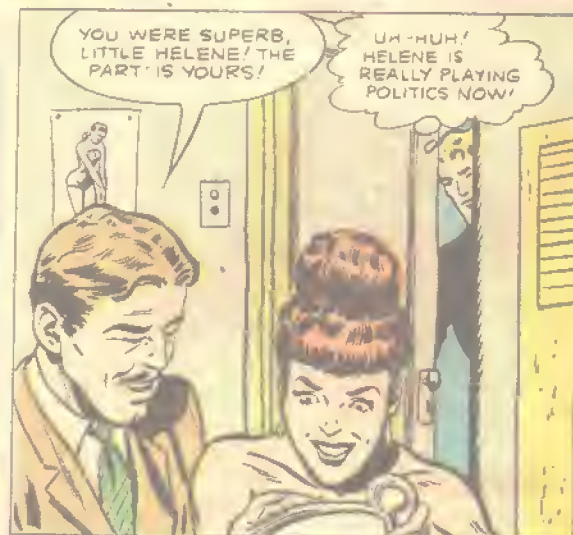
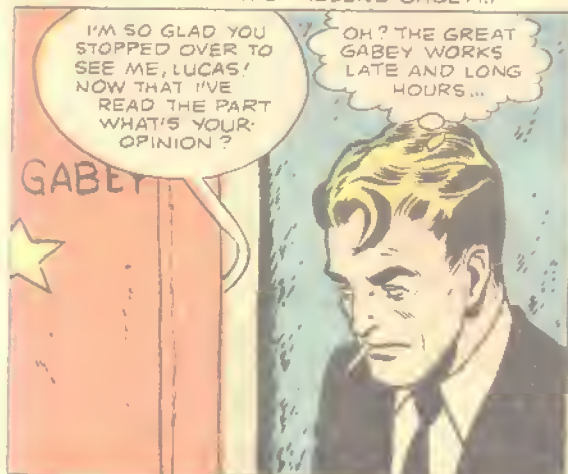




# Lives in Constant Fear



I NEEDED A BREAK . AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I GOT ... A GREAT BIG LUCKY ONE AS I PASSED THE DRESSING ROOM OF HELENE GABEY...



JUST THEN I HEARD A BOARD CREAK DOWN THE CORRIDOR ... I STEPPED BACK INTO THE SHADOWS AND WAITED...





# There Is NO Perfect Crime!

FIRST YOU GET THE CHEAP HOOD EDDIE CORLON TO BACK THE SHOW... THEN YOU CHARM ME INTO CONVINCING HARVEY NORCLIFF YOU COULD CARRY THE LEADING ROLE!

I MEANT NO HARM, RALPH... YOU MUST BELIEVE ME!



NOW YOU'VE LURED LUCAS MORLEY INTO GIVING YOU A PART IN HIS NEW PLAY... AND YOU'VE PLANNED TO DISCARD ME LIKE YOU DID CORLON!

THAT GUN IS GOING TO GO OFF ANY MINUTE!



I TRIED TO STOP YOU FROM GAINING FAME... I KNEW IF YOU DID I WAS FINISHED! I NEVER WANTED 'MUSIC PLEASE' TO OPEN! I CUT THAT ROPE... I KILLED KITTY BRENNAN. I THOUGHT THE SCANDAL WOULD MAKE THE SHOW FOLD...



I HIT RONSON WITH A CRACKING TACKLE... BUT HE HELD ON TO THE GUN...

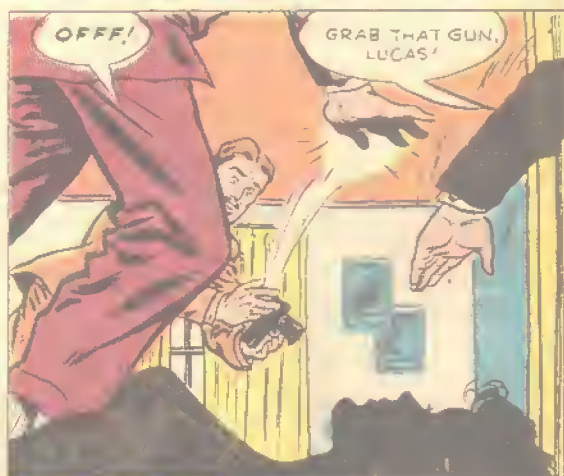
UNH! YOU CAN'T STOP ME! YOU CAN'T STOP ME!

DROP IT, RONSON!



OFFF!

GRAB THAT GUN, LUCAS!



AS LUCAS RAN DOWN THE CORRIDOR AND ONTO THE WING OF THE STAGE...

STOP RONSON! STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!



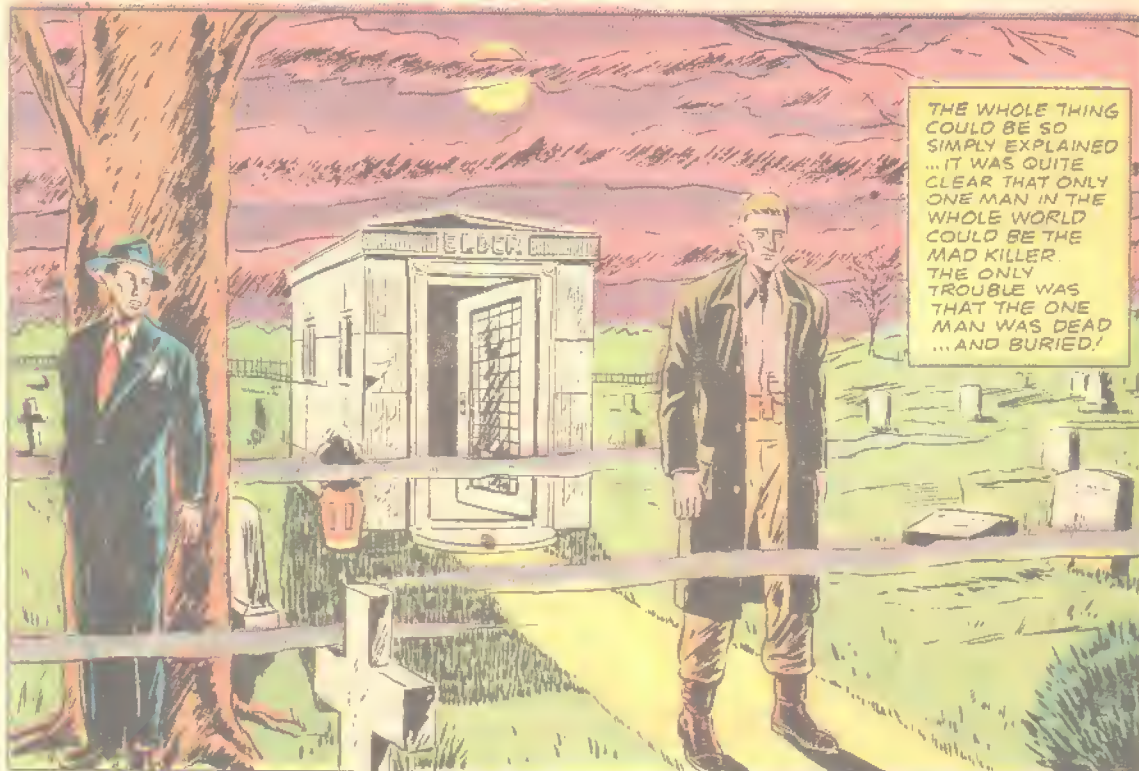
RONSON DIDN'T STOP. NOT UNTIL LUCAS HAD FIRED THREE SLUGS. HE DIED RIGHT ON THE EMPORIUM STAGE, A GRANDSTANDER 'TIL THE END. MUSIC PLEASE NEVER OPENED. HELENE GABEY DIED FROM ONE OF RONSON'S WILD SLUGS, AND HARVEY NORCLIFF VOWED NEVER TO PRODUCE ANOTHER SHOW... WHICH JUST GOES TO SHOW THAT THOUGH SHOW BUSINESS IS SOMETIMES SAD, SOMETIMES GLAD... THERE'S NO BUSINESS QUITE LIKE IT...



All stories in THE PERFECT CRIME are based on fact—but in consideration of innocent persons involved, the names of all characters used in this magazine are fictitious for obvious reasons. Any similarity to names of people living or dead is entirely coincidental.



# the NIGHTMARE KILL



THE WHOLE THING  
COULD BE SO  
SIMPLY EXPLAINED  
...IT WAS QUITE  
CLEAR THAT ONLY  
ONE MAN IN THE  
WHOLE WORLD  
COULD BE THE  
MAD KILLER.  
THE ONLY  
TROUBLE WAS  
THAT THE ONE  
MAN WAS DEAD  
...AND BURIED!

WHEN I LOOK BACK AT IT ALL, THE WHOLE THING  
CLEARLY BEGAN ONE NIGHT IN KOREA...



BILL... BILL ELDER...  
GET DOWN OUT OF  
SIGHT, YOU FOOL...  
THE SNIPERS ARE  
JUST LOOKING FOR  
A TARGET  
LIKE YOU!

AH, YOU WORRY TOO  
MUCH, TOMMY... THEY  
HAVEN'T GOT A  
BULLET WITH MY  
NAME ON IT!



THAT WAS WHEN IT HAPPENED! JUST AS HE  
TEMPTED FATE, I HEARD THE HATEFUL SPLAT  
OF A BULLET. HE CRUMPLED...

AURGH... YOU  
WERE RIGHT,  
TOMMY...  
THEY GOT  
ME!

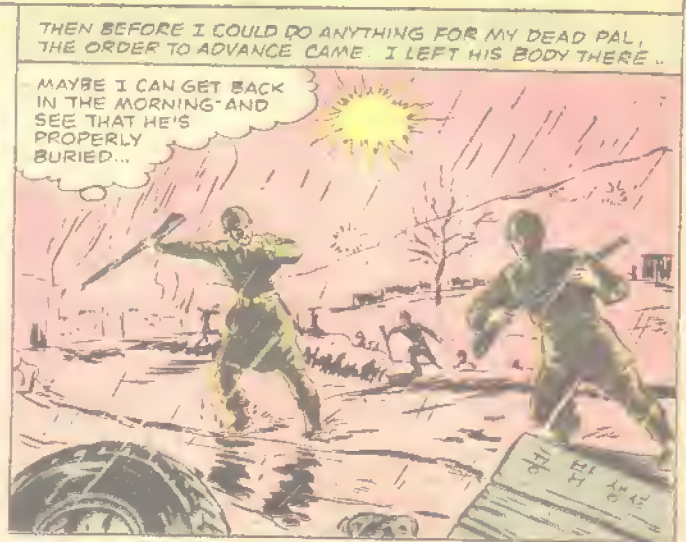
EASY...  
LEMME  
SEE...



# The Smallest Clue Will Prove

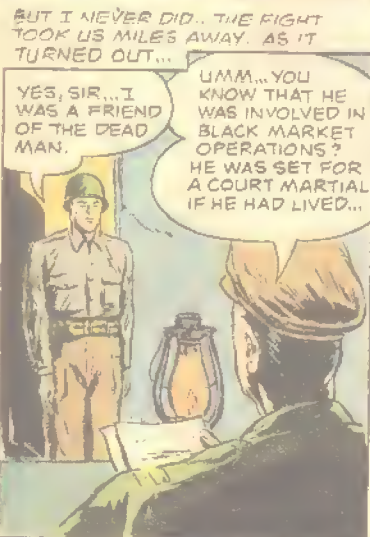


BILL... BILL...  
SPEAK TO ME!  
NO, HE'S A  
GONER. NO  
SIGN OF A  
PULSE.



THEN BEFORE I COULD DO ANYTHING FOR MY DEAD PAL,  
THE ORDER TO ADVANCE CAME. I LEFT HIS BODY THERE...

MAYBE I CAN GET BACK  
IN THE MORNING AND  
SEE THAT HE'S  
PROPERLY  
BURIED...



BUT I NEVER DID... THE FIGHT  
TOOK US MILES AWAY. AS IT  
TURNED OUT...

YES, SIR... I  
WAS A FRIEND  
OF THE DEAD  
MAN.

UMM... YOU  
KNOW THAT HE  
WAS INVOLVED IN  
BLACK MARKET  
OPERATIONS?  
HE WAS SET FOR  
A COURT MARTIAL  
IF HE HAD LIVED...

YES, HE GOT KILLED IN TIME TO SAVE  
HIMSELF FROM A LOT OF TROUBLE. I  
CAME HOME... AND IN THE COURSE  
OF TIME FORGOT BILL ELDER. I  
WAS BUSY...



MR.  
TALENT?

TOMMY TALENT AT  
YOUR SERVICE.  
WHAT CAN I DO FOR  
YOU, MISS?



I'M ALICE FARRELL. I'M  
ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED,  
OR... I WAS ENGAGED TO  
TONY ARBOR. BUT NOW HE'S  
IN JAIL FOR  
MURDER!

TAKE IT EASY,  
MISS FARRELL...  
GIVE ME  
ALL THE  
DETAILS...



SHE TOLD ME THAT...

MR. TONY... YOU'VE  
KILLED MR.  
FARRELL!

NO... NO, I SWEAR  
I DIDN'T... YOU MUST  
BELIEVE ME!



HE SWEARS HE  
DIDN'T DO IT...  
BUT...



# Lawbreakers Never Win

BUT HE WAS FOUND WITH A SMOKING GUN STANDING OVER YOUR DEAD FATHER. THAT'S GONNA BE A HARD ONE TO BEAT.

WHAT MAKES IT SO MUCH WORSE IS THAT TONY AND DAD HAD HAD A FIGHT. TONY WANTED TO TAKE ME TO EUROPE, WHERE HIS BUSINESS IS AND DAD DIDN'T WANT ME TO GO!

WHAT'S TONY'S STORY? HOW DOES HE EXPLAIN THE GUN IN HIS HAND? WHO DOES HE SAY REALLY KILLED YOUR FATHER?

THAT'S THE MOST TERRIBLE PART OF THE WHOLE THING! YOU SEE... HE **MUST BE LYING** ... HE SAYS HE SAW THE KILLER AND WHEN HE RAN TOWARD THE MAN, THE MURDERER THREW THE GUN TO HIM ....

HERE, BUSTER, CATCH THIS ... LET THEM FRY YOU!

IT COULD HAVE HAPPENED THAT WAY, I SUPPOSE. IT'S INSTINCTIVE TO GRAB SOMETHING THAT'S THROWN TO YOU...

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND... IT COULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED. YOU SEE... TONY SAW THE KILLER, AND HE SWEARS THE MURDERER IS MY OLD FIANCE... WHO DIED IN KOREA!

THAT WAS WHEN THE NIGHTMARE BEGAN... FOR THE PICTURE OF HER DEAD FIANCE WAS THAT OF MY OLD PAL, BILL ELDER, THE MAN I SAW DIE...

I THOUGHT MAYBE BILL DIDN'T REALLY DIE OVER THERE ... BUT THE ARMY RECORDS SHOW HE DID.

I KNEW BILL ... HE DID DIE. I WAS WITH HIM WHEN THE SNIPER'S BULLET GOT HIM!

NOW YOU SEE THE WHOLE HORROR OF THE SITUATION. TONY MUST BE LYING... BUT WHY WOULD HE TELL SUCH A STUPID LIE? HE KNEW BILL WAS DEAD.

THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. WHY WOULD A MURDER SUSPECT ACCUSE A DEAD MAN OF BEING THE KILLER? I'LL TAKE THE CASE, MISS!

THANK YOU... OH, THANK YOU SO MUCH!

TOMMY TALENT  
PRIVATE  
TECTIVE



# The Police Blotter Proves

I HUSTLED DOWN TO THE JAIL AND INTERVIEWED TONY...

THEN YOU CAN'T ADD ANYTHING TO THE PICTURE THAT SHE GAVE ME?

NOT A THING. I HEARD THE SHOT, RAN IN, SAW MR. FARRELL FALL... SAW BILL ELDER GRINNING AT THE WINDOW... I GRABBED THE GUN HE THREW ME AND THEN THE BUTLER WALKED IN. THAT'S IT.

TAKE IT EASY. I'LL SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE, TONY.

WHAT'S THE USE? - I KNOW IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. I KNOW HE'S DEAD. IF IT'S A FRAME-UP, IT'S ONE THAT'S BEEN SET BY A CORPSE... I'M LICKED!

PERSONALLY I AGREED WITH HIM, BUT I KEPT LOOKING AROUND. I CHECKED THE SERIAL NUMBER ON THE MURDER GUN... THEN...

A 38 WITH THE NUMBER 686453? WAIT A MINUTE... LET ME CHECK MY RECORDS.

THE 47TH STORE I'VE CHECKED TODAY... HOPE HE SOLD THE GUN!

HMM... AH, HERE WE ARE. YES, I SOLD THAT GUN TWO WEEKS AGO!

NOW LISTEN... A MAN'S LIFE DEPENDS ON THIS... DO YOU REMEMBER BOUGHT THE GUN?

I HAD BROUGHT ALONG PICS OF BOTH TONY AND TOMMY... HOLDING MY BREATH I SHOWED THEM TO HIM...

SURE, I'D REMEMBER. I DON'T SELL MANY GUNS. WHY, THIS IS THE MAN, WHO BOUGHT THE GUN!

YOU'RE SURE?

SURE, I'M SURE. I'D SWEAR TO IT IN COURT. WHY?

WELL... THE MAN YOU PICKED HAS BEEN DEAD FOR OVER A YEAR!

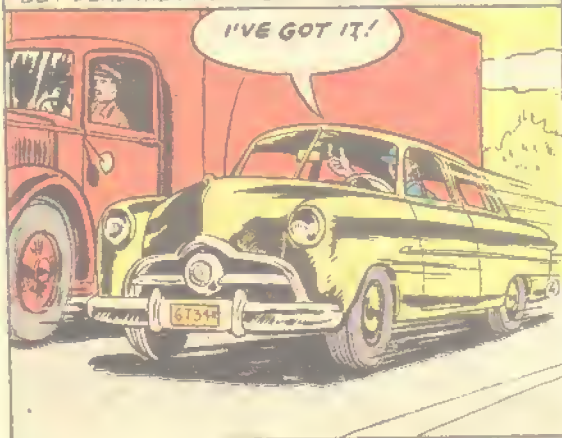
THIS WAS THE FIRST BREAK POOR TONY HAD HAD! BUT WHAT NOW?

IT CAN'T BE... IF ONLY I HADN'T SEEN BILL DIE...



# Crime Has No Reward

IT WAS A REAL RAT RACE, NO MATTER HOW LONG OR HOW HARD I THOUGHT ABOUT IT, I COULD NEVER GET OVER THE HURDLE OF BILL'S DEATH. BUT DEAD MEN DON'T CARRY GUNS...

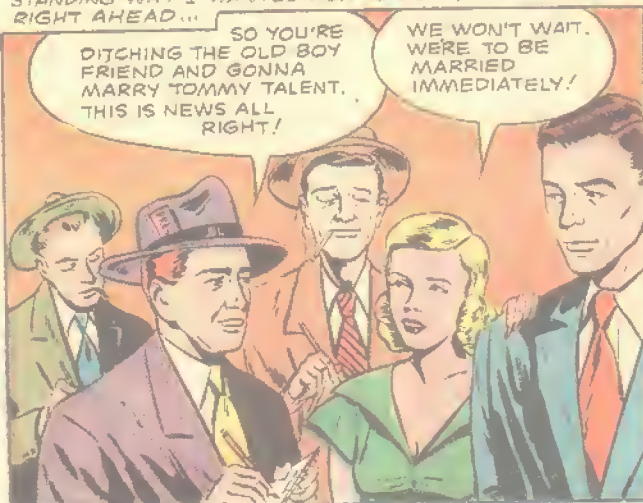


CALL THE REPORTERS IN AND SAY THAT OF COURSE I WON'T MARRY MY FATHER'S KILLER BUT THAT I WILL MARRY YOU? ARE YOU CRAZY?

NOPE! LOOK, YOU DON'T GET IT. JUST DO AS I SAY!

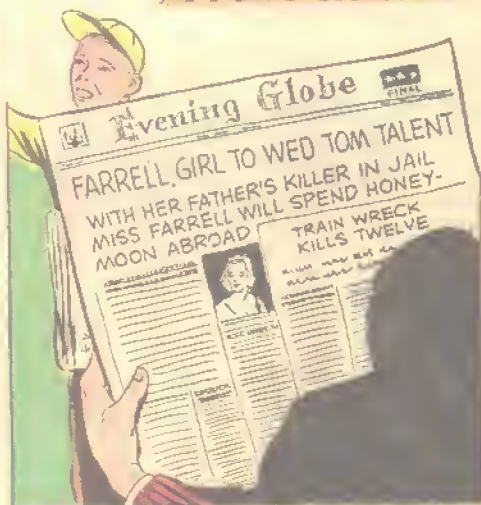


SHE WAS SURE ANXIOUS TO HELP TONY. NOT UNDERSTANDING WHY I WANTED HER TO DO IT, SHE WENT RIGHT AHEAD...



WE WON'T WAIT. WERE TO BE MARRIED IMMEDIATELY!

ALL THE PAPERS PICKED UP THE STORY OF COURSE...



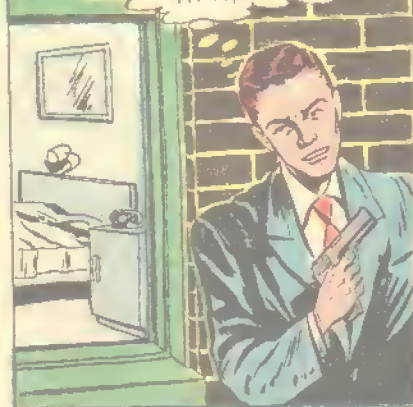
I DO HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING. WHAT SHALL I DO NOW?

NOTHING... FROM HERE ON JUST SIT TIGHT. I'LL DO WHAT HAS TO BE DONE.



THAT NIGHT...

FINE THING HAVING TO SIT ON A FIRE ESCAPE OUTSIDE MY OWN APARTMENT! THE DOOR... SOMEONE'S AT IT!

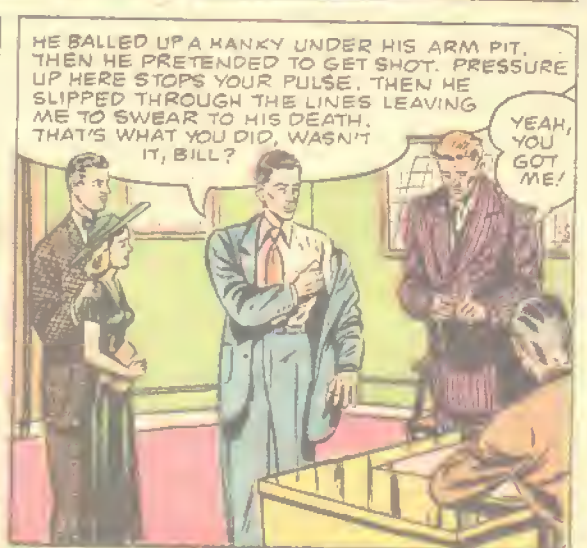
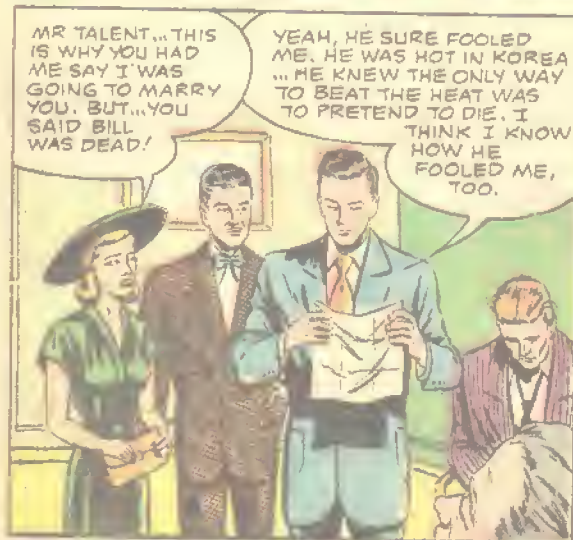
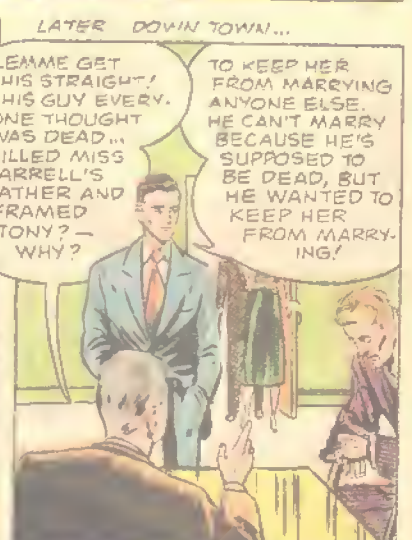
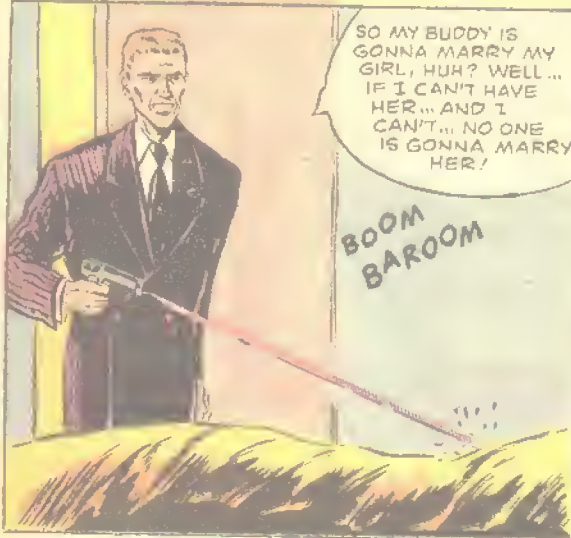


HE FELL FOR THE BAIT! I KNEW HE WOULD. COME ON... COME IN THE DOOR...





# There Is NO Perfect Crime!





# YOURS ALMOST AS A GIFT!

**Valuable  
BALL POINT  
PEN**

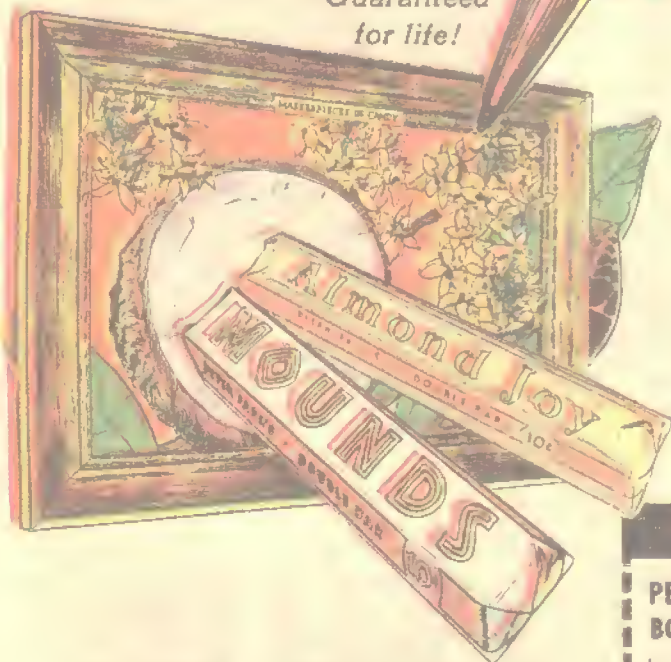
**PERSONALIZED  
WITH YOUR  
NAME  
INSCRIBED  
IN 22 CARAT  
GOLD**

Guaranteed  
for life!

only **25¢**

plus 1 wrapper from  
Peter Paul's Almond  
Joy or Mounds

You've got to act fast to get this remarkable gift offer—a sensational Ball Point Pen—with your own name inscribed in elegant 22 carat gold—and guaranteed for life! Send only 25¢ in coin, plus 1 wrapper from a Peter Paul MOUNDS or ALMOND JOY candy bar. But do it now—before the offer is called off!



Treat yourself to this finer, fresher candy and get a valuable Ball Point Pen with your name inscribed in 22 carat gold—almost as a gift!

**ACT NOW!**  
**FOR LIMITED TIME ONLY!**

**MAIL THIS COUPON TODAY**

**PETER PAUL, Dept. PC 1  
BOX 28, BROOKLYN 1, NEW YORK**

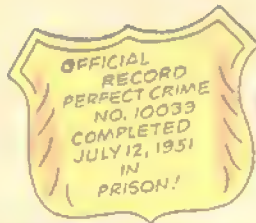
I enclose 25¢ in coin plus 1 wrapper for which please rush my Ball Point Pen with my name inscribed in gold.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINT NAME CAREFULLY)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZONE \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_





# the Payoff



WHAT DO YOU TAKE ME FOR, LOU?—THESE CARDS ARE MARKED! YOU DON'T THINK I'M GONNA MAKE GOOD DO YOU? I'M GETTIN' OUT OF THIS RAT'S NEST!

YOU'RE CRAZY JOEY! THE DECK IS AS STRAIGHT AS AN ICE PICK! DON'T GET ANY FUNNY IDEAS ABOUT WELCHING ON THE HUNDRED AND TWENTY GRAND YOU'RE STUCK FOR!

JOEY TRENT HAD FOUGHT HIS WAY TO THE TOP OF THE UNDER-WORLD BY WINNING. WHEN JOEY GAMBLLED HE MADE CERTAIN HE WOULD WIN... OTHERWISE IT WAS NO BET! SO WHEN BIG SHOT JOEY DROPPED A HUNDRED AND TWENTY GRAND AT LOU GRANEY'S POKER GAME HE FIGURED ONE THING FOR SURE...THE CARDS WERE MARKED AND JOEY TRENT WASN'T GOING TO BE A PATSY FOR ANY CARD SHARK. SO JOEY PULLED HIS CASE ACE...



DON'T GIVE ME THAT, LOU! I WAS A BIG BOY WHEN YOU WERE PICKIN' POCKETS! I KNOW A WRONG DECK WHEN I SEE ONE!

YOU'LL PAY, JOEY, MARK MY WORDS... UNH!



DON'T GO FOR IT, OSCAR! YOU'RE MORGUE BAIT!

HOLD IT, OSCAR! JOEY'S YOUNG... WE'LL SEE MORE OF HIM SOME NIGHT!

AHH!



# Crimefighters Always Win

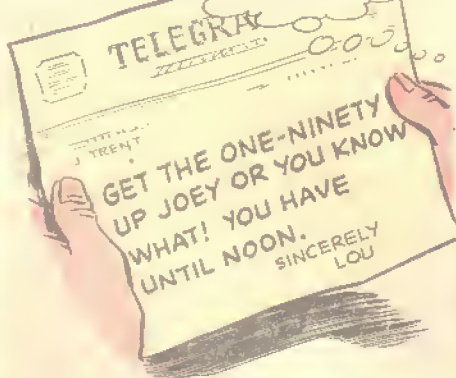
SO JOEY GOT AWAY THAT NIGHT...  
BUT THE NEXT MORNING...

TELEGRAM,  
MR. TRENT!

MUST BE  
IMPORTANT, KID!  
IT'S SO EARLY...  
HERE, BUY YOUR-  
SELF AN AIR-  
PLANE!

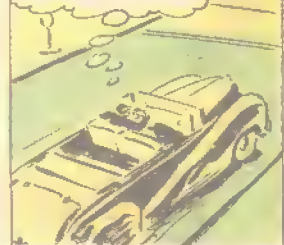


HMPH! THE  
SAP! TRYIN' TO  
SCARE A GUY  
LIKE ME! WHAT  
A LAUGH!



...AND AT ELEVEN  
O'CLOCK AS JOEY  
MOTORED INTO TOWN  
TO CHECK ON THE ODDS  
FOR A FIGHT HE WAS  
INTERESTED IN BET-  
TING ON...

HA, HA!  
WOULDN'T IT BE FUN-  
NY IF THAT DECK OF  
CARDS WASN'T  
CROOKED? AH WHAT'S  
THE DIFFERENCE IF  
I WELSH ON A MUG  
LIKE GRANEY!



AT THIRD AND UPSAL AVENUES...

HEY, ASHTON!  
WHAT'S THE  
ODDS ON  
THE FIGHT  
TONIGHT?

JOEY!  
WHAT ARE YOU DOIN' IN  
TOWN... AIN'T YA HEARD?  
OSCAR DEAN AN' TWO OF  
LOU GRANEY'S HOODS  
ARE LOOKIN' FOR YOU!  
BETTER GET LOST,  
JOEY!



LET ME WORRY ABOUT  
GRANEY'S BOYS, ASHTON!  
NOW WHAT'S THE ODDS  
ON THE BILLY RYAN - JOE  
ERNANDES FIGHT?

UNH! ALL RIGHT,  
JOEY... IT'S RYAN,  
FOUR TO ONE.  
I WAST JUST  
TRYIN' TO  
HELP!

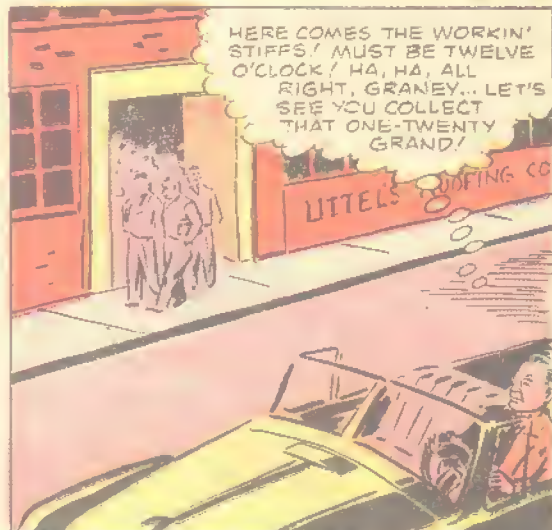


PUT THAT GRAND ON  
ERNANDES TO WIN!  
I'LL PICK UP TOMOR-  
ROW MORNING!

YEAH, JOEY!  
ERNANDES  
AT FOUR  
TO ONE!



HERE COMES THE WORKIN'  
STIFFS! MUST BE TWELVE  
O'CLOCK! HA, HA, ALL  
RIGHT, GRANEY... LET'S  
SEE YOU COLLECT  
THAT ONE-TWENTY  
GRAND!





# Morgue Records Show

BUT AS JOEY TRENT NEARED HIS HOME, THE FIRST ATTEMPT ON HIS LIFE CAME...



THE HOUSE IS RIGHT UP AHEAD. THAT GUY WON'T GET ME IF I GET IN THERE! I NEED HELP... I'LL FIX THAT LOU GRANEY!

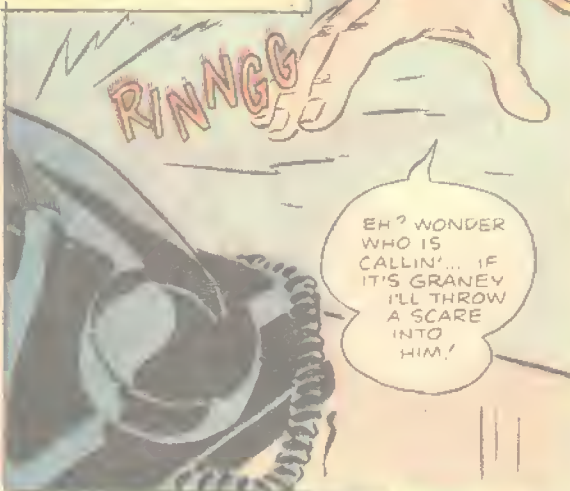


AND AT JOEY'S HOUSE...

GOT TO GET INSIDE... CALL MICKEY MARTEL. HE'LL PUT A SLUG IN LOU GRANEY AND GET ME OUT OF THIS... YEAH...



AS JOEY HURRIES TO HIS PHONE TO CALL MARTEL

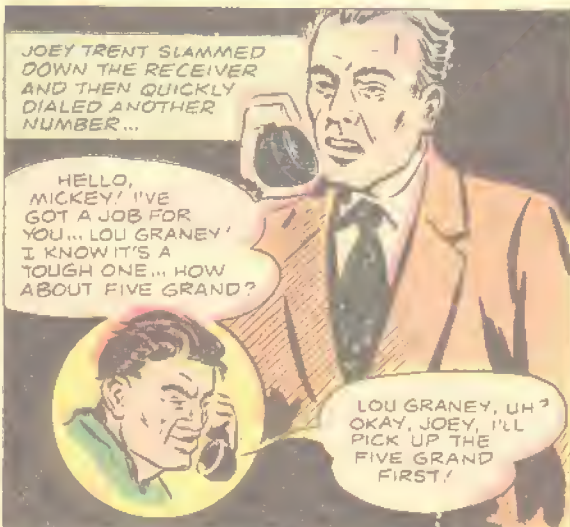


NO MORE MISSES, JOEY! "I AM THROUGH PLAYIN'" ARE YOU GOING TO PAY OFF?



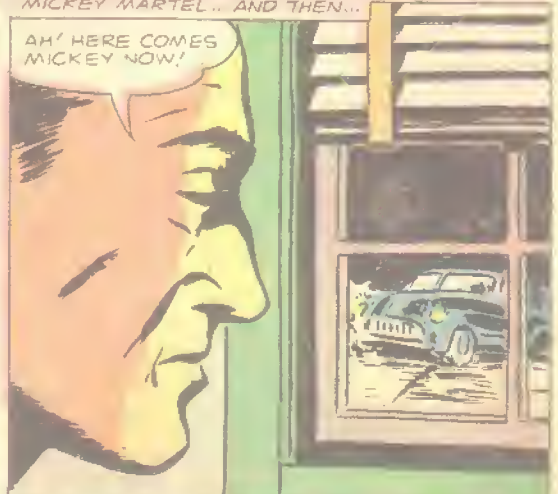
JOEY TRENT SLAMMED DOWN THE RECEIVER AND THEN QUICKLY DIALED ANOTHER NUMBER...

HELLO, MICKEY! I'VE GOT A JOB FOR YOU... LOU GRANEY! I KNOW IT'S A TOUGH ONE... HOW ABOUT FIVE GRAND?



JOEY WAITED A LONG NERVOUS HOUR FOR MICKEY MARTEL... AND THEN...

AH! HERE COMES MICKEY NOW!





# A Murderer's Life Is Short



TREMBLING WITH FEAR JOEY TRENT SLAMS THE DOOR AND...



TWENTY MINUTES LATER...

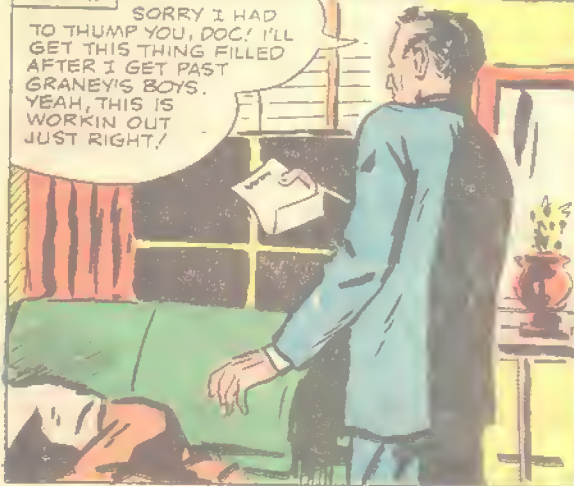




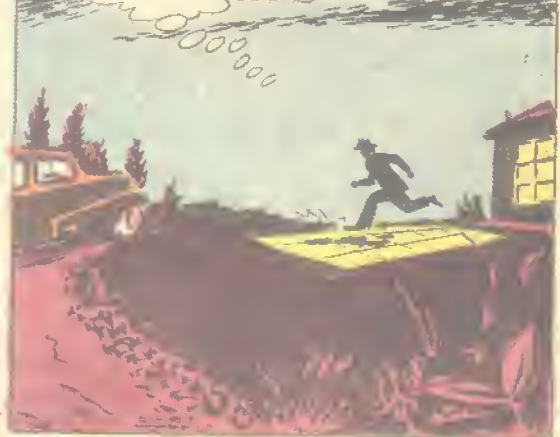
# There Is NO Perfect Crime!

JOEY WAS IN NO MOOD TO ARGUE... SO WHEN THE DOCTOR PROTESTED JOEY SLUGGED HIM AND...

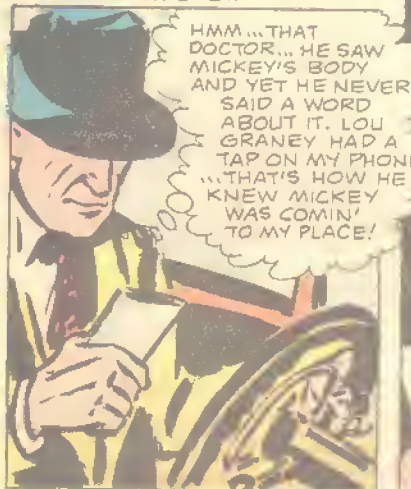
SORRY I HAD TO THUMP YOU, DOC! I'LL GET THIS THING FILLED AFTER I GET PAST GRANEY'S BOYS. YEAH, THIS IS WORKIN OUT JUST RIGHT!



I HOPE I CAN PULL THIS OFF... SOMETHING IS WORRYIN' ME... I CAN'T FIGURE WHAT IT IS...



AS JOEY DRIVES SAFELY AWAY FROM HIS HOUSE...



HMM... THAT DOCTOR... HE SAW MICKEY'S BODY AND YET HE NEVER SAID A WORD ABOUT IT. LOU GRANEY HAD A TAP ON MY PHONE... THAT'S HOW HE KNEW MICKEY WAS COMIN' TO MY PLACE!

MY HEAD... IT'S STARTING TO HURT... I'M GETTIN' DIZZY! GOT TO... READ THIS PRESCRIPTION...

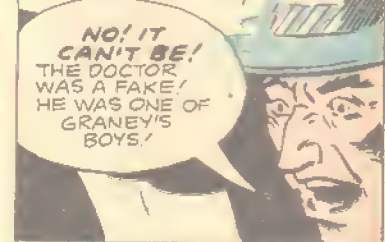


## PRESCRIPTION

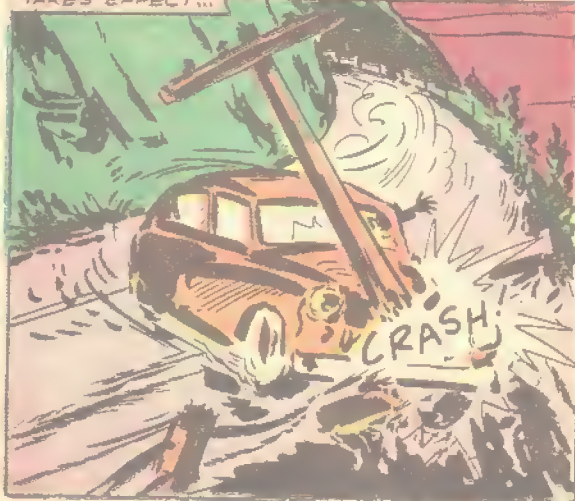
DEAR JOEY:  
I SENT ONE OF MY BOYS TO TREAT YOU FOR THAT BAD HEART. YOU WON'T BE TROUBLED WITH IT LONG. SO LONG, WELCHER!

*Lou Graney*

NO! IT CAN'T BE! THE DOCTOR WAS A FAKE! HE WAS ONE OF GRANEY'S BOYS!



AS THE POISON THE PHONY "DOCTOR" GAVE JOEY TAKES EFFECT...



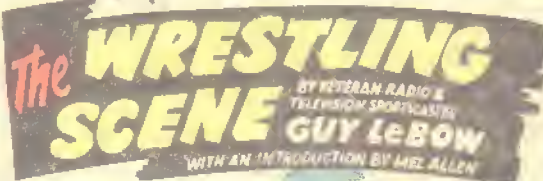
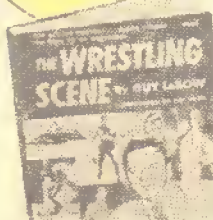
BUT LOU GRANEY AND TWO OF HIS BOYS, "DOC" REAVES AND OSCAR HOBART DIDN'T ESCAPE THE FINAL PAY-OFF. THE POLICE TRACED THEM THROUGH THE BOGUS PRESCRIPTION AND ALL THREE WERE GIVEN LIFE IMPRISONMENT. 'AS ALWAYS, PUNISHMENT IS THE BIG PAYOFF FOR ALL WHO BREAK THE LAW!





**SPORTS FANS!  
HERE IT IS!...  
The Amazing  
and—**

# Real Inside Story of WRESTLING?



**DO YOU  
KNOW?**



**NOW LEARN THE  
ASTOUNDING FACTS  
BEHIND THE WRESTLING SCENE—**

Did the amazing Rocca actually kill a man in a wrestling match? How does it feel to be married to a female wrestler? For these and other inside stories send for your copy of *The Wrestling Scene* today!



Now for the first time in print. A WHO'S WHO of facts, figures and fotos of the wrestling scene. Life stories of the stars of yesterday and today... female wrestlers college wrestlers... exclusive inside stories never before published. Complete with pin-up size pictures of your favorite stars including Jim Londos, Strangler Lewis, Gene Stanlee, Antonino Rocca, Frank Sexton, Gorgeous George, Don Eagle, Primo Carnera and many, many others.

**RUSH NO-RISK COUPON TODAY!**

**PETERS SALES CO.**  
54 East 57th St., Dept. 2W-1 New York 22, N. Y.

Gentlemen—  
Please send me immediately... copies of *THE WRESTLING SCENE*  
☐ I enclose \$1.00 for each book.  
☐ Send C.O.D. I will pay postman plus postal charges.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zone \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND NO MONEY!**

Enclose \$1.00 with your order or sent C.O.D. plus postage—but order now. Money back guarantee if not fully pleased.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, AND CIRCULATION REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AS AMENDED BY THE ACTS OF MARCH 3, 1933, AND JULY 2, 1946 (Title 39, United States Code, Section 273)

OF THE PERFECT CRIME, published monthly at New York, N. Y., for October 1, 1951.  
State of New York  
County of New York ss:

1. The names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are: Publisher, Harold L. Crossman, 83 East 79 Street, New York City; Editor, Edward Bobley, 155 Bulsoo St., Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.; Managing Editor, Max Levin, 333 E. 34th St., N.Y. 16, N.Y.; Business manager, None.

2. The owner is: (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereunder the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual member, must be given.) Cross Publications, Inc., 9 West 57th St., N.Y.C.; Harold L. Crossman, 83 East 79th St., N.Y.C.; Edward Bobley, 155 Bulsoo St., Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.; Harry W. Bobley, 145-03 Newport Avenue, Neponsit, L.I., N.Y.

3. The known bondholders, mortgages, and other security holders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: None.

4. Paragraphs 2 and 3 include, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting also the statements in the two paragraphs show the affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner.

5. The average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the 12 months preceding the date shown above was: (This information is required from daily, weekly, semiweekly, and triweekly newspapers only.)

(Signed) Harold L. Crossman, Publisher

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of September, 1951. (SEAL) Gertrude Greer (My commission expires March 30, 1953)

## AMAZING OFFER TELEVISION SAVINGS BANK

Looks Like Big Costly TV Set!

This amazing television savings bank is an exact replica of the most expensive set. It teaches you to save regularly—and actually invites your friends and relatives to keep the money rolling in! Coins from one penny to a half-dollar fit quickly into the top slot—keep this wonderful bank right where all of your friends and family can see it—and watch it fill up to the top in record time!

• YOUR CHOICE of 4 famous pictures is yours free if you act now! Choose the picture you want to appear on your television savings bank!

★ Milton Berle ★ Hopalong Cassidy  
★ Arthur Godfrey ★ Roy Rogers



**MAKES YOUR  
MONEY  
GROW FAST!**  
**AT 1/2 PRICE**  
**ONLY 100**  
Complete with FREE Photo!

**PETER SALES CO.,**  
54 East 57th St., Dept. 2B-1 N. Y. 22  
Please rush me \_\_\_\_\_ TELEVISION  
SAVINGS BANKS. I enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
in ☐ cash ☐ money order ☐ check.  
The following are the pictures I want:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**FREE  
IF YOU  
ACT  
NOW!**



# The PERFECT HIDEOUT...

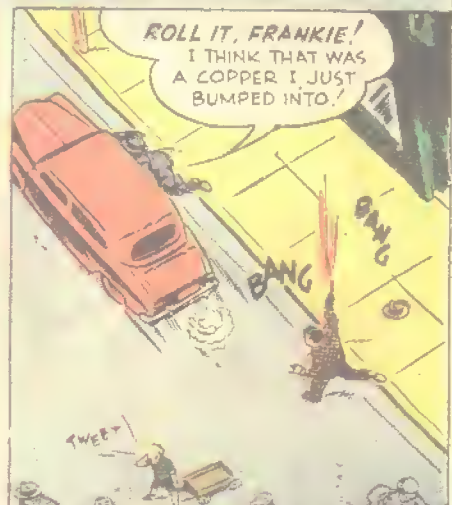
OFFICIAL RECORD  
PERFECT CRIME  
NO. 10180  
COMPLETED  
AUGUST 25, 1951  
BY VIOLENT DEATH!

**F**RANKIE GERBER WORRIED ABOUT JUST ONE THING WHEN HE PULLED A HOLDUP... GET THE DOUGH AND GET AWAY WITHOUT GIVING THE ALARM! SO WHEN FRANKIE AND VANCE LINDEN HEISTED THE PAYROLL FOR THE SIMPSON'S FOOD FAIR EMPLOYEES AT HAVRE DE GRAS THEY MADE SURE THEY WOULD GET A HEADSTART ON THE LAW... IT WAS A PERFECT CRIME... UNTIL FRANKIE GOT THE TOUGHEST BREAK OF HIS COOKED CAREER... IT WAS FRIDAY AUGUST 24, 1951 WHEN.....

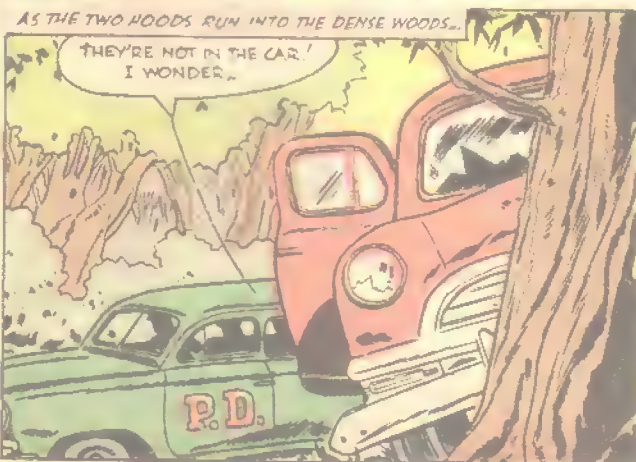




# No Crime Is Worth Committing



A PROWL CAR IS ON THE SCENE IN A MATTER OF SECONDS AND...





# There Is NO Perfect Crime!

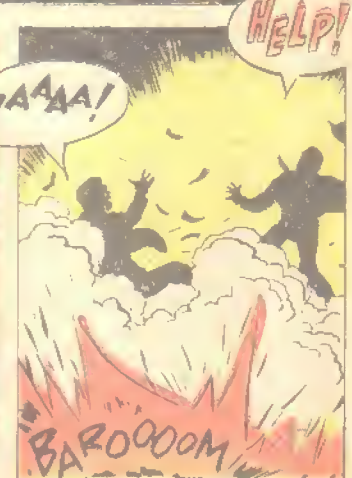
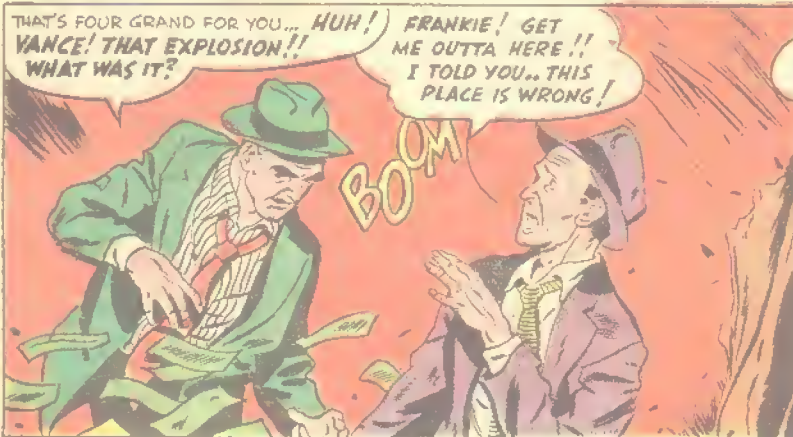
MEANWHILE, DEEP IN THE WOODS...



LATER...



... BUT AS FRANKIE GERBER COUNTS THE LOOT INTO TWO NEAT STACKS ...



SUDDENLY THE EARTH SEEMS TO ERUPT IN A LONG SERIES OF TREMENDOUS EXPLOSIONS...

TWO HOURS LATER, DETECTIVE ANDY DONALDSON AND ARTILLERY CAPTAIN SCOTT HARDING OF THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS LOCATE WHAT REMAINS OF THE TWO HOODS WHO THOUGHT THEY HAD FOUND THE PERFECT HIDEOUT...





She'll be your "Dream Girl"  
You'll "Bewitch" her with it



Daring  
"BLACK  
MAGIC"



"DREAM GIRL" She'll look alluring, breathtaking, enticing, exotic . . . Just picture her in it . . . beautiful, fascinating SEE-THRU sheer. Naughty but nice . . . It's French Fashion finery . . . with peek-a-boo magic lace . . . Gorgeously transparent yet completely practical (washes like a dream . . . will not shrink). Has lacy waistline, lacy shoulder straps and everything to make her love you for it. A charm revealing Dream Girl Fashion . . . In gorgeous Black.

Satisfaction Guaranteed or your money back.

DREAM GIRL FASHION Dept. PC-11  
400 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. 17  
Please send me DREAM GIRL gown at \$9.95. If not entirely satisfied, I'll return within 10 days for full cash refund.  
( ) I enclose \$9.95 cash, check or money order, send postage prepaid (I save up to 90c postage). (You may get it at our store too!)  
( ) I will pay postman \$9.95 plus postage. Check size wanted:  
32 ☐ 34 ☐ 36 ☐ 38 ☐ 40  
IN BLACK ONLY  
(If you don't know the size send approximate height and weight.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Heaven  
Sent

Oriental Magic



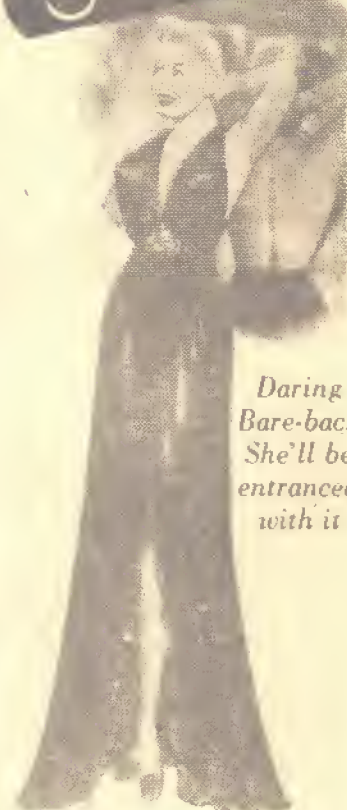
Out of the pages of the Arabian Nights comes this glamorous sheer Harem pajama. She'll look beguiling, alluring, irresistible, enticing. She'll thrill to the sleek, clinging wispy appeal that they will give her. She'll love you for transplanting her to a dream world of adoration centuries old. Brief figure hugging top gives flattering appeal to its daring bare midriff. Doubled at the right places it's the perfect answer for hostess wear. Billowing sheer bottoms for rich luxurious lounging. She'll adore you for this charm revealing Dream Girl Fashion. In wispy sheer black.

Satisfaction Guaranteed or your money back.

DREAM GIRL FASHION Dept. PC-11  
400 Madison Ave. N. Y. C. 17  
Please send HEAVEN SENT gown at \$9.95. If not entirely satisfied, I'll return within 10 days for full cash refund.  
( ) I enclose \$9.95 cash, check or money order, send postage prepaid (I save up to 90c postage). (You may get it at our store too!)  
( ) I will pay postman \$9.95 plus postage. Check size wanted:  
32 ☐ 34 ☐ 36 ☐ 38 ☐ 40  
IN BLACK ONLY  
(If you don't know the size send approximate height and weight.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Black  
Sorcery



Daring  
Bare-back  
She'll be  
entranced  
with it

Your Dream Girl will be an exquisite vision of allurements, charm, fascination and loveliness in this exotic, bewitching, daring, bare-back, filmy sheer gown. Its delicate, translucent fabric (washes like a dream) will not shrink, Paris or home, with this cleverly designed halter neck that ties or unties at the flick of a finger. Lavishly laced midriff and peek-a-boo bottom. She'll love you for this charm revealing Dream Girl Fashion. In exquisite black sheer.

Satisfaction Guaranteed or your money back.

DREAM GIRL FASHION Dept. PC-11  
400 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. 17  
Please send BLACK SORCERY gown at \$9.95. If not entirely satisfied, I'll return within 10 days for full cash refund.  
( ) I enclose \$9.95 cash, check or money order, send postage prepaid (I save up to 90c postage). (You may get it at our store too!)  
( ) I will pay postman \$9.95 plus postage. Check size wanted:  
32 ☐ 34 ☐ 36 ☐ 38 ☐ 40  
IN BLACK ONLY  
(If you don't know the size send approximate height and weight.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_





## Sgt. Audley V. Walsh Speaks— Ridgefield Park, Dept. of Police

# Vandals, or... **VOTERS?**

**W**HEN THE VANDALS, a primitive middle European army decended on the glory that was Rome, the damage they did was historic. That is why the word has become part of our language. Vandalism means the deliberate, malicious destruction of things.

But when you stop to think about it, there was a shred of excuse for the Vandals. In their culture all that was important was staying alive. The culture of Rome, the art, the music, the books, meant nothing. That was why they tore everything to shreds. The material had no meaning to them.

But what about the vandals of today.  
Look at this news clipping!

### Dreamhouse Becomes Nightmare!

Los Gatos, Calif.—Richard A. Chiappellone arrived at his grand new home near here after a day out of town. Proudly anticipating his first view of the structure, which he moved into just Sunday after three years of labor in his spare time, he was horrified to find:  
Every window but two broken, every mirror and picture shattered, bedroom furniture smashed and strewn on the ground outside, a heater ripped from the wall, kitchen appliances thrown down a hillside, all the upstairs furniture in a heap at the bottom of the stairs.  
Also a radio dismantled and hurled from a window; holes punched in inside walls; two dozen jars of jam splattered around; the remains of fires made with playing cards, shotgun shells and drapes in living room, kitchen and bath; milk poured in a piano; sugar dumped on the lawn, every blossom in the garden uprooted or smashed.

Earthquake? Typhoon?

No. Two boys aged 9 and 11

Deputy Sheriff Pantiga said the pair ran away from home over the week end and entered Chiappellone's house last night.

The boys were placed in the county juvenile home last night. Neighbors who heard the noise thought it was Chiappellone putting a few finishing touches on his masterpiece.



Two boys aged nine and eleven destroyed a man's dream. His happy home for which he had worked and sweated, torn apart, ripped to pieces. Why?

We must remember that even kids of this day and age are way ahead of the primitive Vandals who sacked Rome. They knew what they were doing. This is no childish prank. This wanton cruelty came from where?



We chose this news clipping because it is not a single isolated instance, but one of many. Pick up any newspaper and you will find items like this. Synagogues defaced, churches' windows broken, priceless stained glass works of art shattered by boys who throw stones.

Why? What does this new thing in our lives mean?

Could these two boys in the news clipping have gotten pleasure out of what they did? Did they realize that they would be caught? How do they feel now in a county juvenile home? That's just a fancy way of saying a children's jail. Did these kids think that they might wind up in jail?

Of course they did not. They probably thought they could get away with it.

Now we have put our finger on what this new danger in the life of America is. "They thought they could get away with it." It is this feeling, this new immorality that resulted in the ninety men being kicked out of West Point. Would these star football players, these men of brawn, being educated at the cost of all of us, on tax payers' money, would they have cheated on their exams if they thought they would be caught? Of course not! Only an imbecile would be that, foolish. No indeed, that was the furthest thing

from their minds when they broke the trust that was theirs. The honor system does not mean much unless we have honor in ourselves.

And that is the crux of the matter. What is happening to our home-spun virtues? Honor is one of them. As long as the people of America have honor and live with honor, no power on earth can defeat us. When honor is lost all is lost.

That is why we bring up the matter of the two vandal boys. Perhaps the luckiest thing that ever happened to them was being caught after they had destroyed a man's home. Perhaps now, after suitable punishment, they may begin, as the football stars at West Point must, to wonder whether the cynical adage is true. That is, that the only sin is in being caught.

It is this feeling, that as long as you can get away with a thing it is all right that was behind the shocking bribery of the basketball stars last year.

America is a nation which makes a habit of making heroes of athletes. That was fine as long as the athletes were men of honor. But what now? What kind of hero is a bribed basketball player for a kid to worship? And how about the football players, the men who were to become officers and gentlemen by decree of Congress when they graduated from West Point.

**New**  
**UP-TO-DATE**  
**EXCLUSIVE**  
**LIST**




## TERRIFIC CANDID PHOTOS OF YOUR FAVORITE Movie & TV

# SCREEN STARS

**HOLLYWOOD'S GREATEST STARS  
IN RECENT POSES**

Here it is—the new and up-to-date list, including all of the new television and movie stars! Candid photos taken by top photographers exclusively for your scrap book.

These glossy photographs are available at once — ready for framing or insertion into your private album.

**ONLY 12 for \$1  
OR 15 for 50¢**





**GLOSSY PHOTOS—**

- For Your Own Album
- Ready for Framing

**SHOW OFF TO YOUR FRIENDS**

Pick out your favorites (each has a number) and draw a circle around your favorites. Mail at once with your money. Act now while this new supply lasts.

**MAIL THIS COUPON TODAY!**

(Circle numbers of your favorites)

1. Milton Berle 2. Hopalong Cassidy 3. Roy Rogers 4. Dale Evans 5. Lana Turner 6. Perry Como 7. Al Jolson 8. Bing Crosby 9. Howard Duff 10. Bett Grable 11. Arthur Godfrey 12. Bob Hope 13. Gene Wilson 14. Doc Farrow Jr. 15. Grant	15. Robert Montgomery 16. Robert Young 17. Elizabeth Taylor 18. Phil Harris 19. Eddie Cantor 20. Lanne Ross 21. Abbott & Costello 22. Sid Caesar 23. Vera Vague 24. Jimmy Durante 25. Fred Allen 26. Grace Allen 27. Jack Benny 28. Gene Autry 29. Ezio Pinza 30. Red Skelton 31. Groucho Marx 32. Alan Ladd 33. Richard Widmark 34. Mickey Rooney 35. Dorothy Lamour 36. Ray Milland 37. Paul Douglas 38. Linda Darnell 39. Joan Bennett 40. Ingrid Bergman	41. Gary Cooper 42. Broderick Crawford 43. Van Heflin 44. Celeste Holm 45. Van Johnson 46. Fred MacMurray 47. Frederic March 48. David Niven 49. Donald O'Connor 50. Walter Pidgeon 51. Barbara Stanwick 52. James Stewart 53. Robert Taylor
--	---	--

**Robert Edwards Co., Dept. 2P-1**  
9 West 57th St., New York 19, N. Y.

I enclose \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ special pictures of my favorite stars and have circled the numbers of the ones you are to send me by return mail.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zone \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_





HERE'S THE BOOK YOU'VE  
BEEN WAITING FOR—

*Arthur Godfrey*

The Only Complete, Unabridged

# LIFE STORY OF ARTHUR GODFREY

Here is the only up-to-the-minute biography ever written about Arthur Godfrey. Excitingly written by Jack O'Brian—it painstakingly reveals the feelings, trials, struggles and strife that marked the great Godfrey's rise from run-a-way lad to the most fabulous personality in the annals of mass communications. **GODFREY THE GREAT** emerges as one of the must books of our times.



★ JUST OFF THE PRESS—IN A HANDSOMELY BOUND PERMANENT HARD COVER  
★ A VALUABLE ADDITION TO YOUR LIBRARY

## YOU'LL LEARN GODFREY'S INSIDE STORY—

How a dream affected Godfrey's life—What made January 26, 1934 an important date in his career—What Godfrey's former neighbors say about him and his wife—What goes on at the table when Arthur and his family have dinner at home—The incident that made Godfrey blush—AND THOUSANDS MORE NEW, INTIMATE NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED FACTS!

## YOU'LL SEE—BRAND NEW UNUSUAL PHOTOS OF:

- Godfrey at the famous Stark Club.
  - As a child and young boy.
  - His early days in radio.
  - Intimate photos of his wife and children.
  - Godfrey with motion picture, radio and stage friends.
  - First photos of his luxurious plane.
  - Godfrey on vacation.
  - Pictures of Arthur and his family on his fabulous 800 acre farm.
- And more . . . in 60 wonderful photos.

only \$1.00

Now Available in this limited hard cover edition.

If You Act NOW!

## MAIL COUPON NOW!

Cross Publications

Dept. 26-1

9 West 57th Street, New York 19, N. Y.

Please send me postpaid \_\_\_\_\_ copies of Godfrey the Great—(in the special hard-cover edition) at \$1.00 per copy. Enclosed find \$\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cash ☐ check ☐ money order. ☐ Send C.O.D., I'll pay postage.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zone \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Fine heroes these!

You can see, that in a way the responsibility for a wrecked home goes back to false heroes. For if the kids who tore that house apart had heroes, real ones, not with feet of clay, they *could* not have done what they did.

This brings us back to a point we have made in many different ways in these monthly charts we have with you.

If the kids of America cannot get this sense of honor and responsibility that we are talking about at home, then it is up to us to see that they get it somewhere else. That is why we have praised so highly the work of groups like the Police Athletic League, which you may know better under its nickname of the P.A.L.; the Boy Scouts, the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.M.H.A., all the organizations which work with young people in attempt to help them to grow up into good citizens. People of responsibility to the community

Not Vandals, but Voters!

That is as good a rallying cry as any.

How little preparation there is in the course of the average schooling for one of the main jobs that a person has in a democracy like ours, that of voting.

The average school curriculum has an occa-

sional civics class which spends a little time, much too little time, on explaining the duties of a citizen.

For it is a duty, an obligation for any free citizen to vote.

But if the people don't get out and vote for the men who represent the kind of government they want, then democracy becomes a fraud and a sham.

It has been wisely said that people get the kind of government that they deserve.

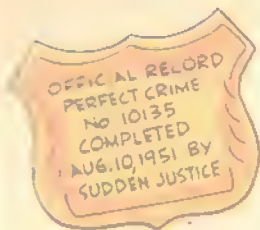
If you don't register and vote when you become of voting age, if the majority of people don't get out and vote, then the meaning of the word democracy gets distorted . . . lost. By definition democracy means that the country is run the way the majority of people in the country want it to be run.

But if the kids of today, the voters of tomorrow, are lost to honor like the boys who tore a neighbor's house to pieces for no reason at all, and they are not re-educated and re-claimed then the country will suffer . . .

It is a problem we all face. Today belongs to the grown ups; tomorrow, belongs to the children of today, the grown ups of tomorrow. Those adults of tomorrow are the ones we have to worry about!

THE END.





# ...too much PROSPERITY



THE BRUTAL FOOTPADS WHO USUALLY OPERATE IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS ARE A PRIME SOURCE OF THE WORST CRIME...**MURDER.** FOR A FEW DOLLARS THEY ARE ALWAYS READY TO SLUG AND MANHANDLE INNOCENT VICTIMS...BUT SOMETIMES THEY STRIKE IT RICH...AS DID BEN DARCY AND AL MITCHELL...IT IS THE NIGHT OF AUGUST 10, 1945.





# Justice Always Defeats Crime

THREE BLOCKS AWAY FROM THE SCENE OF THE MUGGING....

**TWELVE HUNDRED BUCKS!**  
HMM,, LOOK AL! I PICKED THE  
GUY SO I'M TAKIN' EIGHT  
HUNDRED AND YOU CAN  
KEEP THE WATCH AND  
FOUR C'S,, OKAY?

WHAT ARE YOU TRYIN'  
WISE GUY? I'M IN  
FOR FIFTY-FIFTY!

FOR BEIN' FRESH, AL, YOU  
GET ONLY TWO HUNDRED!  
DON'T GIVE ME A HARD  
TIME OR I'LL GET  
ROUGH!

**TWO HUNDRED!!**  
I AIN'T LEAVIN' TIL  
I GET SIX HUNDRED  
BUCKS, BEN DARCY!  
YOU KNOW I MEAN  
WHAT I SAY!

IF I HAVE TO..  
**URGH!**

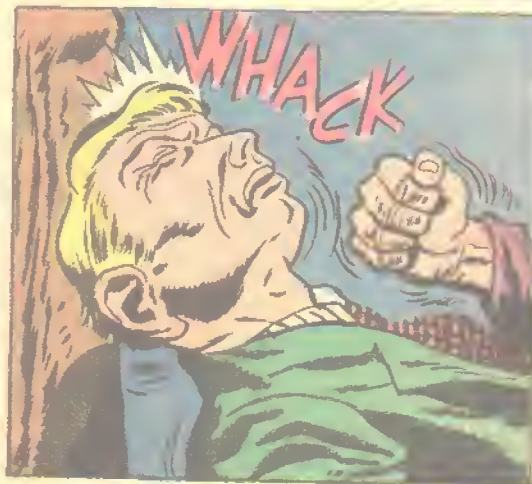
I'M JUST THE  
GUY, AL, IF IT'S  
TROUBLE YOU  
WANT!

YOU CAN'T BOUNCE ME  
AROUND, BENNY! I'LL TAKE  
THE WHOLE TWELVE HUNDRED!

YOU'RE  
GOIN' FOR A  
SWIM, AL!

I WANT A  
SQUARE DEAL..  
**OOFFF!!**

YOU LAME BRAIN!!  
I'LL FIX YOU!





# There Is NO Perfect Crime!

MINUTERS  
LATER...

SORRY I  
HAD TO HIT YOU  
SO HARD AL! WE'VE  
WORKED TOGETHER TOO  
LONG TO START FIGHTIN'  
NOW! HOW ABOUT  
FIVE HUNDRED  
AND THE WATCH?

OH, MY HEAD...  
FIVE HUNDRED  
AND THE WATCH  
IS GOOD, BEN!  
OH... BUT MAYBE  
YOU BETTER HELP  
ME TO A HOSPITAL.



STILL DIZZY, HUH, AL!  
THE HOSPITAL'S RIGHT  
AROUND THE CORNER!  
WE'LL GO INTO  
THE ACCIDENT  
WARD!

YEAH,  
BEN! I'LL  
TELL THEM  
I FELL DOWN  
THE STEPS AT  
MY HOUSE...



...AND AT THE TULANE HOSPITAL'S ACCIDENT WARD...

THE DOCTOR  
WILL BE RIGHT  
WITH YOU GENTLE-  
MEN! HAVE A  
SEAT PLEASE.

OKAY SUGAR!  
I FEEL BETTER  
ALREADY!



ONE  
MINUTE  
LATER...

BEN! A COP!  
LET'S GET OUT  
OF HERE!

EASY, AL! IT'S NOTHIN'  
COPS ARE ALWAYS  
BRINGIN' PEOPLE  
WHO GET HURT  
INTO HOSPITALS!  
PROBABLY AN  
AUTO ACCIDENT!

SUPPNDY!



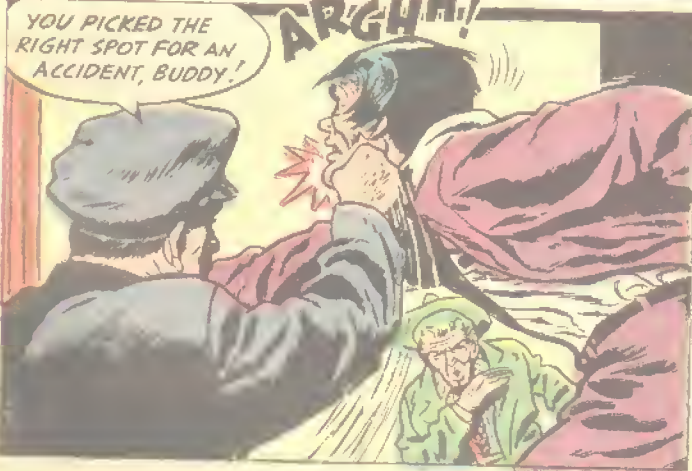
OFFICER! THERE THEY ARE!  
THE MEN WHO ROBBED  
ME!!

OF ALL THE  
BAD BREAKS A  
GUY CAN GET...



YOU PICKED THE  
RIGHT SPOT FOR AN  
ACCIDENT, BUDDY!

ARGHHH!



...WHEN YOU'RE WALKING ALONG A DARK STREET  
LATE AT NIGHT BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR HOOD-  
LUMS LIKE BEN DARCY AND AL MITCHELL...YOU  
WONT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM THOUGH...  
BEN AND AL WONT BE ON FREESIDE UNTIL 1971...  
VICTIMS OF TOO MUCH PROSPERITY...  
AND JUSTICE!

45856

45857



# Most Amazingly Convenient POCKET LIGHTER FOR MEN FOR WOMEN

CIGARETTE  
LIGHTER  
KEY CHAIN  
FLASHLIGHT

ALL IN  
**1**

PUSH  
BUTTON  
FLASHLIGHT

INITIAL\*  
IN GOLD  
AT NO  
EXTRA  
COST

*Beautiful Plastic Case in  
Simulated Marble Design*

Here's the snappiest, most complete lighter combination you've ever seen! Imagine—lighter, flashlight and keychain ALL IN ONE UNIT. Handy, convenient, easy to carry. No more fumbling for matches, keys, etc. Easy to find keyholes in the dark. Beautiful, streamlined case of mottled plastic. Your own initial in gold imprinted on case. Makes ideal gift. A truly sensational bargain value with your initial in gold only \$1.98.

A TRULY SENSATIONAL  
BARGAIN VALUE  
WITH YOUR  
INITIAL IN  
GOLD...

Only **\$1.98**



3 in 1 lighter combination easily fits in palm of hand. Lighter set snugly in base of case. Flashlight complete with battery. Beaded keychain fastens securely to top of unit. Unbelievably light in weight. IMAGINE, all these features offered at amazingly low price of only \$1.98. Order TODAY.

**SEND NO MONEY—7 Day Trial**

Just fill in coupon below. On arrival deposit only \$1.98 plus C.O.D. postage with postman. Use 7 days. If not delighted return for refund of purchase price. (Send cash. Henry Senne pays postage.)

**MAIL THIS COUPON TODAY**

Be sure to  
send initial  
to be im-  
printed in  
Gold....

**HENRY  
SENNE &  
CO.** Dept. 126  
1665 N.  
Milwaukee Ave.,  
Chicago 47, Ill.

**HENRY SENNE & COMPANY** Dept. 126  
1665 N. Milwaukee Ave.  
Chicago 47, Ill.

Please rush 3 in 1 lighter combination at once. I'll pay postman \$1.98 plus C.O.D. postage on arrival. If not delighted I may return within 7 days for refund of purchase price. (Cash with order, Henry Senne pays postage.)  
☐ Send C.O.D. plus postage  
☐ Cash enclosed. Send postpaid.

Name

Address

City

Zone

State

INITIAL TO BE  
IMPRINTED  
(Circle Choice)

A B C D

E F G H

I J K L

M N O P

Q R S T

U V W X

Y Z



# Skylark Originals

Style No. 104  
Sizes: 9-17 **8<sup>98</sup>**  
10-20  
Sizes: 40-48 **9.98**

STYLE No. 490—The long jacket suit—with flattery in every line—set off with rich VELVET collar, cuffs and buttons. Superbly tailored in fine checked menswear rayon suiting. Black, navy or brown.

STYLE No. 498—Same suit in solid colors of fine crease-resistant rayon gabardine. Grey, navy, brown, black.

Style No. 450  
Sizes: **10<sup>98</sup>**  
9-17  
10-20  
Sizes: 40-48 **11.98**

Style No. 490  
Style No. 498  
Sizes: 9-17 **9<sup>98</sup>**  
10-20  
Sizes: 40-48 **10<sup>98</sup>**

STYLE No. 104—Buttons on the brief jacket and down one side of the skirt make this smart suit fashion news. Fine rayon checked suiting in navy, brown, black.

STYLE No. 450—Paris Elegance ... See how soutache embroidery rings its tiny collar, dramatizes its side panels. See its slimming lines in fine rayon crepe. Black, navy, green, brown.

**MONEY  
BACK  
GUARANTEE**

## Skylark Originals

153 W. 27th St., New York 1, N. Y.  
☐ PREPAID ORDER I enclose price of garment plus 20¢ to cover postage and handling.  
☐ C.O.D. ORDER I will pay postman price of garment plus postage and C.O.D. charges.  
I may return garment in 10 days if not satisfied.

Style No.	Size	1st Color Choice	2nd Color Choice

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

**RA!**  
**IVE DUNCAN**  
IN THE  
**ORUS GIRL MURDERS™**



# GOOD ADVICE TO READERS FOR **BAD SKIN**

Stop Worrying About Pimples, Blackheads  
and Other Externally Caused Skin Troubles  
Try Skin Doctor's Amazing Simple Directions  
and Be Thrilled with the Difference —  
Often

## **CLEARED IN ONLY ONE SHORT WEEK**

By *Betty Memphis*

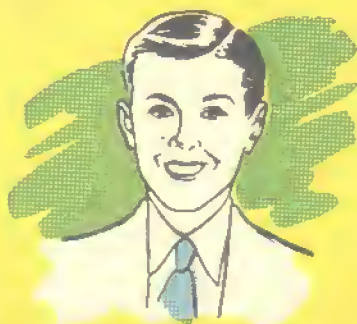
Have you ever stopped to realize that the leading screen stars whom you admire, as well as the beautiful models who have lovely, soft white skin, were all born just like you with a lovely smooth skin?

The truth is that many girls and women do not give their skin a chance to show off the natural beauty that lies hidden underneath those externally caused pimples, blackheads and irritations. For almost anyone can have the natural, normal complexion which is in itself beauty. All you have to do is follow a few amazingly simple rules.

Many women shut themselves out of the thrills of life — dates, romance, popularity, social and business success — only because sheer neglect has robbed them of the good looks, poise and feminine self-assurance which could so easily be theirs. Yes, everybody looks at your face. The beautiful complexion, which is yours for the asking, is like a permanent card of admission to all the good things of life that every woman craves. And it really can be yours — take my word for it! — no matter how discouraged you may be this very minute about those externally caused skin miseries.

Medical science gives us the truth about a lovely skin. There are small specks of dust and dirt in the air all the time. When these get into the open pores in your skin, they can in time cause the pores to become larger and more susceptible to dirt particles, dust and infection. These open pores begin to form blackheads which become in-

fect and bring you the humiliation of pimples, blackheads or other blemishes. When you neglect your skin by not giving it the necessary care, you leave yourself wide open to externally caused skin miseries. Yet proper attention with the double Viderm treatment may mean the difference between enjoying the confidence a fine skin gives you or the embarrassment of an ugly, unbeautiful skin that makes you want to hide your face.



The double Viderm treatment is a formula prescribed by a skin doctor with amazing success, and costs you only a few cents daily. This treatment consists of two jars. One contains Viderm Skin Cleanser, a jelly-like formula which penetrates and acts as an anti-septic upon your pores. After you use this special Viderm Skin Cleanser, you simply apply the Viderm Fortified Medicated Skin Cream. You rub this in, leaving an almost invisible protective covering for the surface of your skin.

This double treatment has worked wonders for so many cases of external skin troubles that it may help you, too — in fact, your money will be refunded



if it doesn't. Use it for only ten days. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose. It is a guaranteed treatment. Enjoy it. Your dream of a clear, smooth complexion may come true in ten days or less.

Use your double Viderm treatment every day until your skin is smoother and clearer. Then use it only once a week to remove stale make-up and dirt specks that infect your pores, as well as to aid in healing external irritations. Remember that when you help prevent blackheads, you also help to prevent externally caused skin miseries and pimples.

Incidentally, while your two jars and the doctor's directions are on their way to you, be sure to wash your face as often as necessary. First use warm water, then cleanse with water as cold as you can stand it, in order to freshen, stimulate and help close your pores. After you receive everything, read your directions carefully. Then go right to it and let these two fine formulas help your dreams of a beautiful skin come true.

Just mail your name and address to Betty Memphis, care of the New York Skin Laboratory, Inc., 246 Roehling St., Dept. 401, Bklyn., N. Y. By return mail you will receive the doctor's directions, and both jars, packed in a safety-sealed carton. On delivery, pay two dollars plus postage. If you wish, you can save the postage fee by mailing the two dollars with your letter. If you are in any way dissatisfied, your money will be cheerfully refunded. To give you an idea of how fully tested and proven the Viderm double treatment is, it may interest you to know that, up to this month, over two hundred and twelve thousand women have ordered it on my recommendation. If you could only see the thousands of happy, grateful letters that have come to me as a result, you would know the joy this simple treatment can bring. And, think of it! — the treatment must work for you, or it doesn't cost you a cent.

